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In re Patent Application of:
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For: NOVEL CAROTENOID HYDROXYLASE
GENE, METHOD FOR PREPARING
HYDROXYLATED CAROTENOID, AND
NOVEL GERANYLGERANYL
PYROPHOSPHATE SYNTHASE

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated November 21, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.